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In re application of

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Group Art Unit: 2655

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Examiner: Tianjie Chen

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For: OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on
July 25, 2006:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) dated July 25, 2006 was provided
to the undersigned.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. **Brief description of exhibits or demonstration:** None.
2. **Identification of claims discussed:** 1
3. **Identification of art discussed:** O'Brien
4. **Identification of principal proposed amendments:** The Examiner proposed
that Applicants' amend claim 1 to recite, ". . . the another substrate layer which is laminated on
the first adhesive layer. . ." and ". . . another substrate layer having a shape"

5. **Brief Identification of principal arguments:** Applicant's position is that the amendment to claim 1 in the Amendment filed on June 8, 2006 clarifies that the optical recording medium of the present invention has one of the "another substrate" and the "another layer" and no further amendment should be necessary. Alternatively, Applicants proposed amending the drawings by presenting one or more additional figures similar to Figures 4 and 5 except that reference numeral 14 is replaced with 14' and the specification is amended to indicate that 14' refers to the "another layer" to clarify that the optical recording medium has one of the "another substrate" or the "another layer".

Also, regarding the §103 rejection, Applicants pointed out that "optical storage substrate (80)" in Figure 7 is a lamination body formed by laminating an intermediate laminated film and a protective layer (87), wherein the intermediate laminated film is formed by laminating a print layer (81), a reflective layer (83), and an optically-transparent substrate (85) as described at column 5, lines 38 to 42 and 55 to 58 of O'Brien to make it clear to the Examiner that the adhesive layer (93) of O'Brien does not correspond to the second adhesive layer of the present invention. The Examiner agreed to reconsider the reference in the next Action.

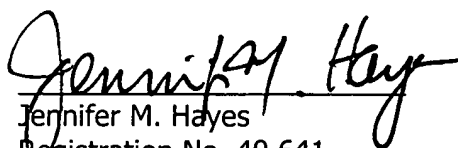
6. **Indication of other pertinent matters discussed:** None

7. **Results of Interview:** The Examiner indicated that he would wait for Applicants to submit a response or amendment in view of the discussion during the Interview.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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